

Vavrin Promoted to Colonel



John Vavrin, a researcher at the Construction Engineering Research Laboratory (CERL), was promoted to the rank of Colonel in the United States Army Reserves. Lt. Gen. Robert Wagner, Commanding General of the United States Army Special Operations Command (USASOC), bestowed the honor upon Vavrin, currently serving on assignment at Fort Bragg, N.C.

Vavrin is one of only 20% of the eligible lieutenant colonels promoted to colonel.

Colonel Vavrin's mission is serving as deputy engineer for USASOC. Mobilized for the global war on terror, Vavrin's directorate is responsible for all facility master planning and military construction for subordinate

commands. They also provide oversight with construction for Army Special Operations Forces in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Vavrin serves as a mechanical engineer in CERL's Energy Branch and was working heat and power studies in Alaska and energy optimization studies in Germany before his mobilization with the USASOC in July.